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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director for Central Reference

THROUGH: Deputy Director (Intelligence)

SUBJECT: Implementation of Killian Report, NSC Action 1430:
Specific Recommendation C.9

1. By virtue of its action on 4 August 1955 (number 1430) the NSC "noted that the responsible agencies have concurred either in full or with qualifications in the following recommendations and will implement them as indicated in the comments." The comments as far as this Agency is concerned have been embodied in a memorandum from the DCI to Executive Secretary of the NSC dated 6 June 1955 under the subject of "NSC Action 1355" (TS #103738).

2. Specific Recommendation C.9 of the Killian Report reads as follows:

"The growing principles and technology of information retrieval will advance and may revolutionize the handling of large masses of intelligence data. Their application should be sought out more actively."

This recommendation is one on which the CIA has full responsibility for study and report to the NSC. Within CIA, the responsibility falls on OCR. I understand that the IAC has established a subcommittee on retrieval of information data and therefore has actually been working on the subject problem. This would seem to me to provide adequately for inter-Agency coordination.

3. In order that the Director may be prepared as necessary to report to the NSC on action taken to implement the Killian Report, I would appreciate receiving a statement by 1 April 1956 of progress on this recommendation.

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